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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Former Governor George S. Boutwell, of Massachusetts, died at Groton yesterday, aged 87 years. —— The House and Senate are at loggerheads over the Agricultural Appropriation bill, because the Senate will not agree to the provision for securing cotton reports twice a month. —— The United States Supreme Court yesterday sustained the Georgia law taxing packing houses $200 per annum, and also upheld the Texas anti-trust laws. —— By a partisan vote yesterday, the Senate found Judge Swayne, of Florida, not guilty of the charges alleged for his impeachment. —— The Senate passed the naval appropriation bill carrying $100,300,000 for the great navy. —— In a coal mine at Wilcoe, W. Va., Sunday, an explosion entombed 28 miners, sixteen of whom were taken out dead and the others are supposed to have perished. —— At New Orleans Sunday night, fire destroyed the Illinois Central wharves and grain elevators, and other property valued at from $2,000,000 to $3,000,000. —— New York markets: Money on call firm at 2@3 per cent; cotton was dull at 7.60; flour was quiet and partially lower; wheat spot easy No 2 red $1.22½ f. o. b. afloat; corn, spot firm, No. 2 58c at elevator; oats, spot quiet, mixed 26@32 pounds, 37@38c; rosin firm, strained common to good $2.87½; spirits turpentine dull at 53½ to 53¾c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 27.

Meteorological data for the twenty four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 41; 8 P. M., 46 degrees; maximum, 54 degrees; minimum 39 degrees; mean 46 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 rainfall since first of the month to date, 5.44 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A.M. to-day (Monday) 21.5 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, February 27.—For North Carolina: Fair Tuesday and Wednesday; Colder Tuesday in western portion; fresh west winds.

Port Almanac—February 28,

Sun Rises	6.36 A. M.
Sun Sets	5 52 P. M.
Day's Length	11 H. 16 M.
High Water at Southport	4.08 P. M.
High Water at Wilmington	6.38 P. M.

Lo, the poor Indian, can come in out of the tall timber. At last there has been organized a "Society to Protect Indians from being Robbed."

Come sing to us some old song. But don't warble any merely old thing; You can't go very far wrong, If you'll sing the song of budding Spring!

In South Dakota the girls in a female college went on a strike and the professors had to kiss them before they would allow the exercises to be resumed How would you like to be a strike breaker in that college?

"The usefulness of chloroform is just now beginning to be recognized," says Dr. Osler. Doc must have been thinking about what should be done to the newspaper writer that spoils the forcefulness of a speaker's remarks by breaking in with 'he went on."

A lot of people who think favorably of Uncle Sam's owning and operating the railroads haven't begun to realize how much tronble he is having to keep his large real estate holdings from being fenced in by trespassers who think he is an easy mark

As President Roosevelt is not going to be a candidate for re election he wouldn't lose anything by sending a reprimand to the Senators and telling them that they are merely bumps on a log and know only enough to hold their seats, draw their pay and ride on railroad passes.

Says a Paris Journal: "There is no more agreeable resort than Paris for the small potentates." Yes, Paris with its lovely fashions and gay life is a mighty nice place to spend a while, but the great majority of small potentates in America have to stay home to keep the old man from getting too gay.

The New York Times says "The Association for Household Research" is an organization just formed in this country. Married men may as well make up their minds to go home early. They may not be home when the house is searched the first time, but they had better be there when the research takes place.

In the Senate on Saturday Senator Hale, of Maine, opposed a greater navy and declared that "the principal object of a big navy in time of peace is to bully small powers." Such utterances as this from a Republican Senator is bound to make President Roosevelt agree with Dr. Osler that something ought to be done to "lose" a man when he gets to be 60 years old.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Academy—"The Ramblers."
A. G. Ahrens—How are you?
Masonic—Meeting St. John's Lodge.
Geo. R. French & Sons.—Selz shoes.

BUSINESS LOCALS

For Rent—Two houses.
H. B. Martin—Eggs for hatching.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Other locals, fourth page.

— Eight unimportant cases were tried in the police court yesterday.

— Friends of Esquire W. McD. Evans will be glad to know that he is convalescing from pneumonia at his home, No. 817 North Third street.

— Friends of Miss Mary White, who underwent an operation for appendicitis at the hospital in this city Saturday afternoon, will be glad to know that her condition was very favorable yesterday.

— The regular monthly dance of L'Arioso German Club will be given to-morrow night in the Masonic Temple. It will be in compliment to Mr. Gaston Lord Myers and bride, who arrived in the city last week from an extended bridal tour through Florida.

— By deed filed for record yesterday, W. M. Cumming and wife transferred to Thos. J. Gore and wife, for $400, property on north side of Dawson, 165 feet east of Tenth street, 33x165 feet in size, more or less.

— Louis Goodman, Esq., counsel for the menhaden fisheries companies at Old Brunswick, has returned from Raleigh, where he went to oppose certain features of a fisheries bill introduced by Representative Taylor. An amicable adjustment of the differences was reached.

— Herbert McClammy, Esq., went over to Whiteville yesterday afternoon to attend Columbus Superior Court. He is chiefly interested as counsel for defendant in the Collins murder trial. Marsden Bellamy, Esq., will go over later if the case is reached at this term of court.

— The first of the new tenants to move into the new Heyer building is Capt. Will L. Miller, of the Acme Tea Chest Co. He has one of the rear offices with a splendid view of the harbor and a direct view of his yards and wharves across the river. Capt. Miller moved in yesterday.

— A private letter received in the city from Senator Empie yesterday states that the bill authorizing the Board of Aldermen, if it be deemed advisable, to maintain and establish an industrial, school has been so amended as to submit the question of the school an appropriation to a vote of the people.

— A number of prominent young society people in Wilmington have received invitations to attend a ball poudre to be given by the officers and ladies at Fort Caswell on Friday night of this week. A steamer will probably be chartered by the Wilmington people who will attend.

— First Lieutenant J. McRee Hatch and Second Lieutenant Thos. R. Orrell, of the Wilmigton Light Infantry, yesterday received their commissions from Gov. Glenn. The popular young officers were elected at a meeting of the company some time ago, but the commissions were not issued until recently.

— Dave Green, colored, 29 years of age, a denizen of the Racket Store alley, died suddenly a few minutes after going to bed early Sunday night. Dr. C. D. Bell, the coroner, pronounced death due to heart failure with alcoholic poisoning a contributory cause. He had been on a protracted spree just before his death.

— Sunday marked the close of the first year of the pastorate of Rev. Fred. D. Hale, D. D., of the First Baptist church, and in honor of that occasion the H. H. Bible Class, of the Sunday School, Mr. Geo. E. Leftwich, teacher, will give an entertainment in compliment to Dr. Hale in the lecture room of the church to-night. There will be music and other entertaining features. A cordial welcome is extended to all members of the congregation.

— The Police Department is to lose to-morrow one of its pluckiest and most popular members—Policeman Frank George, a mortal terror to evil-doers and especially the vicious of the colored population. Mr. George has purchased a farm in the country and will shuck his "blue" for the more comfortable garb of the "agriculturist." He is a daring, vigilant officer and the force will suffer by his resignation, which is effective March 1st.

— The explosion of a lamp at the residence of A. H. Costin, 413 South Second street, called out the Department at 8:30 o'clock Sunday night in response to an alarm from box 45, Front and Castle. Sparks from the chimney caused a small fire at the residence of A. J. Mason, 616 South Second street, calling the Department out to an alarm from box 47 at 7:55 yesterday morning. The damage in both cases was trifling.

— Sunday the residence of Mrs. Helen Green, 309 Walnut street, was quarantined for smallpox, Mrs. Green being the patient and the disease probably having been contracted from Mrs. E. C. Moore, a friend of the family. A child of a colored man named Purdie, 708 Church street, was also quarantined Sunday. Purdie is janitor of the Gregory colored school building and is believed to have recently had the disease in such mild form that it was not detected.

— J. F. Cartwright, a pressman at the Willard Bag & Mfg. Co., and a young man who has hitherto borne an excellent reputation, was arrested yesterday and arraigned in Justice Fowler's court, charged with the larceny of $25 from the trunk of J. T. Rogers, a street car conductor, with whom he boarded at Mrs. Croom's, Front and Dock streets. The case was continued until Saturday owing to the absence of Herbert McClammy, Esq., his counsel. Bond was given with his employer, Mr. E. P. Willard, as surety.

PILOTAGE SITUATION.

Business Men in Conference Determine to Stand as a Unit Upon the Question.

TO CONTROL THE SYSTEM.

Chamber of Commerce Will Meet This Morning to Formulate and Adopt Plan for Regulating Service in Absence of Compulsion.

Twenty-five leading business men of Wilmington, including practically all the large shippers of the port, met yesterday noon at the new offices of Messrs. Hugh MacRae & Co., on the fifth floor of the Heyer building, for the purpose of considering the pilotage situation on the Cape Fear river and bar, in view of the recent repeal by the Legislature of all laws touching the subject, the idea being to take immediate steps to thwart any possible abuse of the absence of such rules and regulations by any one and to place the city in position to enjoy the full benefit of the action of the General Assembly in the respect named. Whatever the difference of opinion among those present as to the effect of a wholesale repeal of all laws governing navigation and pilotage at the port, the meeting was decidedly harmonious, the business men having presented a united front and manifested a firm determination to meet the changed conditions for the best of all concerned. To further the plans set on foot at the conference, as given in some detail below, a special meeting of the Chamber of Commerce is called for this morning at 10:30 o'clock to which every member is urgently invited to attend.

Those present at the meeting yesterday were: Mr. J. A. Taylor, whole sale grocer and president of the Chamber of Commerce; Mr. Hugh MacRae, Mr. M. F. H. Gouverneur, Dr. C. P. Bolles and Mr. A. B. Skeld ng, of Hugh MacRae & Co., bankers and brokers, and the C. R., L. & P. Co.; Mr. James Sprunt, Col. W. J. Woodward and Mr. D. H. Lippitt, of Alexander Sprunt & Son; Mr. C. W. Worth, of Tae Worth Co.; Mr. W. B. Cooper, wholesale grocer; Mr. James H. Chadbourn, of the Chadbourn Lumber Co.; Mr. W. L. Parsley and Mr. Aubrey Parsley, of the Hilton Lumber Co.; Mr. W. B. VanDyck, of the VanDyck-Creveling Co.; Mr. C. C. Covington, wholesale dealer and importer of molasses; Capt. James I. Metts, of J. I. Metts & Son; Mr. W. A. French, Jr., of George R. French & Son; Mr. William Gilchrist, of Smith & Gilchrist; Mr. W. T. Sears, of the Angola Lumber Co. and Hannah & Co.; Mr. M. J. Heyer banker and wholesale grocer; Mr. C. D. Maffitt, ship broker; Mr. L. B. Rogers, of the D. L. Gore Co.; E. Payson Willard, of the Willard Bag & Mfg Co., Capt. R. P. Johnston, U. S. A., in charge of the Corps of Engineers; Capt. J. VanB. Metts, insurance, and representatives of the press.

Mr. MacRae asked Mr. James Sprunt to become chairman of the meeting but Mr. Sprunt said he preferred not to act as he came to see and hear; while he was in full sympathy with the movement, he had an appointment to meet, Mr. J. W. Craig, one of the pilots and a most excellent man, to discuss the present situation and for that reason, he did not wish to be embarrassed. Mr. C. W. Worth asked to be excused for substantially the same reasons, he being a member of the Board of Navigation and Pilotage. Mr. R. A. Parsley was at length nominated and called to the chair by acclamation, with Mr. Payson Willard as secretary. Chairman Parsley called on Mr. MacRae to state the object of the meeting.

Mr. MacRae called attention to the commanding view of the barbor from the room in which the meeting was being held and made a witty reference to the now "open port." Seriously speaking, he said that the business mens' committee before the General Assembly in Raleigh had set a very great force in motion and unless it was controlled wisely and quickly, the city might not reap the full benefit of it. As he understood the situation the Legislature had practically delegated all powers in the matter of navigation and pilotage to the business interests of Wilmington; that the business men were now in position to do by private contract what the Legislature had heretofore done by law. That the port is now as free and as untrammelled as when Columbus landed in America. The attorneys for the pilots claim a pilotage victory. If so, it is a very small one. They could have gotten the victory some time ago with less expense, if they had spoken for it. The meeting then being held should be preliminary to one by the Chamber of Commerce. By talking over the situation, those present could formulate plans to be followed by the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. MacRae read from manuscript a few outlines that occurred to him as practical and applicable to the situation. Pilotage and towage as far as possible should be divorced. If the Chamber of Commerce should appoint a committe of eight or ten, combining all interests, he thought such a body could well take care of the interests of all concerned. The Chamber of Commerce, on recommendation of this committee, could issue certificates to a small number of pilots, who could easily do the work. These special pilots, selected as far as possible from the pilots now holding branches and not interested in the tow boats, should receive assurances of proper support; they should be given some form of guarantee and should participate in none of the contingencies; for instance, certificates could be issued to six competent men and they could be guaranteed a minimum salary to be contributed by persons chartering vessels, who would be expected to subscribe to the rules and regulations, and contribute to a minimum sum of, say $4,800, allowing the six any excess of that amount up to, say $7,300; such fees to go to the men engaged in the actual service. The rates should be fixed considerably under present schedule, as reasonable as possible and a little below any other competitive port. Each shipper could be assessed a fixed sum or to the extent of half what his bar pilotage was the past year under the old law. The shippers should bind themselves to use as far as possible pilots having certificates from the Chamber of Commerce and also to use tugs having similar endorsements by the Chamber of Commerce. If ships chartered by any shipper took and paid bar pilotage, that amount could be deducted from the guarantee of that shipper. Then there should be a second guarantee by merchants not actually engaged in marine shipping, who should bind themselves to make up any deficit at the end of the year. The rates of towage should also be fixed at a maximum by the Chamber of Commerce, these rates to compare favorably with any other port. That in addition to towing vessels, the tugs be also required to dock them here.

Mr. MacRae concluded by saying those were only suggestions for a control of the situation. Unless the business men acted with liberality and good judgment and acted quickly the benefits from an open port were liable to slip from the city.

Mr. Cooper interrogated Mr. MacRae as to the salaries, agreeing with him on all salient points and emphasizing the needs of independent tugs in case any undue advantage is attempted. Mr. MacRae explained that with a repeal of all laws, tugs would now come to Wilmington seeking business on telegraphic notice; that heretofore the present tugs enjoyed a subsidy from the pilotage association, but with that wiped out they could no longer successfully bar out competition.

Mr. Sprunt was asked for an expression upon the situation and spoke briefly, saying that he was not prepared to discuss the question, which he regarded as a very complex one, but one which he hoped and believed would turn out to the better satisfaction of all in the end. The combination of tugs and pilots, which he had often advised against, had been the undoing of the pilots. However, he was unprepared to speak definitely as to the success of the plan outlined until he had ascertained the temper of the present pilots, with one of whom he had an engagement to discuss the matter later. He was of the opinion that the rates ought to be greatly reduced. There are now 41 pilots, 13 of whom he believed were interested in the tug boats, and much depended upon what they would do. Mr. Sprunt suggested the idea of each shipper employing the number of individual pilots he required and that phase of the question was discussed at some length with particular reference to the case of each of the larger shippers.

Mr. W. T. Sears said his people were prepared to stand by the Chamber in any legitimate effort to control the situation; that the Angola mill shipped largely by rail now, but would no doubt take advantage of water shipment under the proposed new system.

Mr. W. L. Parsley thought the general outline by Mr. MacRae the easiest solution.

Mr. Z. W. Whitehead, of the Southern Lumber Journal, thought the employment of pilots by individual shippers would have the effect to weaken the concerted movement and that under such a plan the smaller shippers would suffer. Several others concurred in that opinion, while Mr. MacRae thought it would work satisfactorily in the general result. Capt. J. I. Metts said any private agreement, provided that agreement was with a licensed Chamber of Commerce pilot, would not effect the general result. Mr. Sears moved that the president of the Chamber of Commerce call a special meeting of that body at once to take action and that as large an attendance as possible be secured.

As a test of the sentiment of the meeting, a motion was unanimously adopted that it was the sense of those present that the business interests of the city stand together in the fight and take such action as is necessary to organize the proper service and to give it such financial backing and support as is necessary.

It was then moved by Capt. J. I. Metts and seconded by Mr. W. A. French, Jr., that the president of the Chamber of Commerce call a meeting as early as possible to adopt some feasible plan for safeguarding the situation and that the pilotage interests and all business men be present in as large numbers as possible. The motion was unanimously adopted and as the conference adjourned President Taylor announced that the meeting called for in the resolution would be held this morning at 10:30 o'clock.

"The Ramblers" To-Night.

The Paige Comedy Company opened a week's engagement of high-class repertoire and vaudeville at the Academy of Music last night, giving satisfaction to a large audience which frequently demonstrated its pleasure by continued applause. To-night "The Ramblers" will be the bill. Popular prices prevail. Seats on sale at Plummer's.

LAUGHINGHOUSE BILL

Senate Committee on Railroads Will Report Unfavorably on Reducing Rates.

IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Special Message from Governor Glenn. Wilmington Bills Passed Upper House. South Dakota Bond Hearing. Another Anti-Jug Law.

[Special Star Telegram.]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 27.—A death blow was dealt the Laughinghouse bill for the reduction of passenger fare to three cents for first class and two and a half cents for second class, with the interchangeable mileage book clause, this afternoon in the Senate Committee on Railroads. There was a lengthy hearing, during which the principal speeches against the bill were made by J. H. Pou, for the Atlantic Coast Line; H. W. Miller, for the Southern, and C. B. Ryan, for the Seaboard. The committee will report the bill unfavorably, this insuring defeat.

The House Committee on Liquor Traffic considered to-day a lengthy bill providing for the sale of native wines and ciders, and agreed finally on an unfavorable report. It will come up in the House, however, with a favorable report from the Committee on Agriculture and a fight will be made for it. It is designed to operate independent of the Watts act, any grocer being allowed to retail pure wines and ciders on procuring license from the County Commissioners, revokable on petition of two-fifths of the qualified voters of the community.

There was a short session to-night in the House for the purpose of receiving the report of the Code Committee. They reported the Code as it has been revised and scrutinized by them and it will be put on second reading to-morrow.

There was a lengthy conference of the Legislative Committee, Governor Glenn and attorneys for Shaffer Brothers, holders of State bonds of the South Dakota class this evening, but no agreement was reached, a recess being taken until 9 to-morrow. They heard F. H. Busbee, of counsel for Shaffer, at length on terms of settlement they will consider.

MR. BONEY TAKEN UNAWARES.

Representative Boney said to-night that he had just discovered that the Federal Point stock law bill that has passed the House and is in the hands of the Senate Committee provides that the county shall build the fence and the township shall repay the amount it costs by instalments. He has neither opposed or favored the bill until now, but he went to the chairman of the Senate Committee to-night and gave notice that he will fight its passage in the Senate and its ratification.

ANTI-JUG LAW.

The Winborne House bill making the anti-jug law apply only to the counties of Mitchell, Gaston, Cleveland and Cabarrus, came up in the Senate during the day with amendments from the committee making it apply to the whole State. After a multitude of amendments excepting counties the bill finally passed for the entire State except the counties of Washington, Stokes, Alleghany, Swain, Martin, Edgecombe, Pasquotank, Rowan, except Spencer and East Spencer, Anson, Caswell, Transylvania, Pitt, Stanly, Dare, Jones, Wilson, Camden, Davie, Tyrrell, Wilkes, Granville, Lenoir, except Kinston township, Yadkin, Person, Hertford, Alexander, Onslow, Henderson, Beaufort, McDowell, Jackson, Harnett, Rockingham, Clay, Currituck, Chowan, Surry, Pamlico, New Hanover, Greene, Nash, except Nashville and Manning townships, Burke, Davidson, Columbus, except the towns of Lake Waccamaw, Fair Bluff, Whiteville and Chadbourn; Alamance, Ashe, Watauga and Pender.

Senator McLean sent an amendment making the anti-jug law apply to all prohibition territory. His amendment was lost.

The Sinclair bill prohibiting the delivery of liquor to persons under fictitious names in prohibition territory, passed its second and third reading.

MESSAGE FROM GOVERNOR.

A special message was received from Governor R. B. Glenn, in which he urged the passage of the following: (1) Bureau of immigration; (2) a strong vagrancy law; (3) amending the jury system; (4) reform of the divorce laws; (5) to increase pensions to Confedrate soldiers to $600,000; (6) to erect a monument Matt W. Ransom; (7) to erect a hall of records for storing valuable books; (8) a State purchasing agent to buy for all State institutions. Senator Webb, when the reading was completed, asked if the Governor made any recommendation about the anti-jug law or the bill prohibiting dealing in futures?

THE HALL OF RECORDS.

Senator Empie moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill to issue $100,000 for a State hall of records failed to passed. This prevailed. The bill passed second reading—ayes 24, noes 16.

RANSOM MONUMENT.

The Ransom monument bill came up in the House on its second reading. Mr. McGill, of Cumberland, sent forward an amendment appropriating $2,000 each for monuments to Generals Hill, Pender, Ramseur, Pettigrew, Graham, Badger and Macon. Mr. McGill spoke against the Ransom bill, saying those named in his amendment were just as worthy of a monument as Gen. Ransom. Mr. Ward, of Randolph, also opposed the bill, saying he knew Ransom as a hero, but there were living heroes in North Carolina to-day to whom the money proposed to be appropriated would come as a relief for their wants. The bill was finally re-referred to the committee on appropriations.

REFORMATORY BILL.

Mr. Glenn asked that the minority report on his reformatory bill be made the special order in the House at the night session. Mr. Winborne objected and moved to table on the unfavorable majority report from the committe, which motion was carried, 94 to 32.

Routine Proceedings.

The Senate opened with prayer by Rev. R. F. Bumpass. Among bills introduced; By Aaron, to amend charter of Kenansville; by Shaw, to form new township out of St. Paul and Lumber Bridge; by Aaron, to revise and incorporate Groce Academy, in Duplin.

Among bills passed: To allow commissioners of Bladen to sell the county farm; to empower commissioners of New Hanover to issue bonds for roads; to authorize Greenville to borrow not exceeding $10,000 to establish sewerage system; authorizing a special tax in Edgecombe; to amend the charter of Kinston; for a division of the liquor taxes of New Hanover; to allow the city of Wilmington to establish and maintain an industrial school; to establish free ferry at Tar Heel Landing; to protect bridges and highways in Onslow; to provide a salary for the board of aldermen in Wilmington; to fix time for holding courts in 6th judicial district; to create a new township in Robeson; to incorporate Groce Academy; to regulate the manner in which common carriers shall settle damage in shipment of freight. This is the Hutchison bill. To establish a State laboratory of hygiene.

The House was opened with prayer by Rev. J. C. Massee. Among bills introduced were: By Laughinghouse, to establish dispensary at Faulkner; by Lockhart, to provide for Anson convicts to work streets in Wadesboro; by Boney, to change time for holding courts in Fifth Judicial district.

A "BOMB" IN THE CAMP.

General Exodus of Sporting Fraternity Follows Arrest of Pool Room Proprietor—Bigger Game in View.

Believing that the arrest Saturday night of M. L. Starkey, charged with permitting games of chance in the billiard and pool rooms of the Excelsior Saloon, of which he is proprietor, was the first step in another general crusade by the city authorities against all forms of gambling and fearing lest they should be caught in the drag net that is usually thrown out by the police on such occasions, at least a baker's dozen of the sporting fraternity in Wilmington have packed kit and kittles and decamped for a more congenial stamping-ground, while twice the number of their fellows, less bold with their sporting proclivities, remain in Wilmington on the anxious seat. The general exodus took place Saturday midnight within a phenomenally short time after the arrest of Mr. Starkey and according to plans so well laid that the authorities are convinced the fugitives were "tipped off" an hour or more before the contemplated raid. At least two of those for whom the police were looking and looked in vain were "Col. P. W. Young and Bruce Phelps, both of whom have figured in the courts before and who were especially anxious upon this occasion not to greet His Honor again, for obvious reasons. Phelps, with an associate, who is said to have been especially desirable as a witness, is known to have left by private conveyance at midnight for Castle Haynes, whence he, with others, departed on the northbound train Sunday morning. The hotel accomodations at Castle Haynes being rather limited and residents in the neighborhood being a little suspicious of late callers for early trains, the party which took that route is said to have built a mammoth bonfire on the banks of the Northeast river and camped there until morning, the conveyance being brought back to Wilmington at 8 o'clock Sunday morning.

The wholesale departure of those mentioned is said to have caused a temporary balk in the proceedings of the police, who had really bigger game in view than the pool room proprietor, whose offence, it at all, is only nominal in comparison and that the names of a large number of witnesses are still held for summons as soon as matters have assumed a little more definite shape later in the present week. The "tip" received by the fraternity was evidently an eye-opener, though the city authorities refuse to discuss the matter for publication, promising developments of a more sensational nature as time evolves them. A dozen warrants, contingent upon a few matters of which the police decline to talk, are believed to be temporarily pigeon-holed for future consideration.

The case of Mr. Starkey, charged with permitting gaming in his pool room, was called in the police court yesterday at noon, the defendant having waived examination through his counsel, Hon. John D. Bellamy, and having given bond for the April term of Superior Court, in the sum of $900, with Mr. Martin O'Brien as surety. City Attorney Bellamy looked after the interests of the prosecution yesterday but will have associate counsel in the case, with others, in the higher court.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Marsden Bellamy Jr. Esq., left last night for Raleigh on professional business.

— Mr. C. H. Bull, a popular travelling man of Richmond, Va., is in the city calling on the trade.

— Mr. J. M. Myers, of Burgaw; Dr. E. Porter, of Rocky Point, and Mr. W. A. Frink, of Shallotte, were among yesterday's arrivals in the city.

— Among the Sunday visitors to the city was Mr. Walter E. Hall, the clever young manager of the Postal Telegraph office at Elizabethtown, N. C.

—Among last night's arrivals were Col. W. B. Fort, Pikeville; E. P. Gatling, Hallsboro; Milton P. Skinner, Summerville, S. C.; Thomas Barber Jr., Winston-Salem.

— Mrs. John H. Gore, Jr., and little daughter, Arabella, who have been spending some time on their return from Franklin, Va., at Rockingham, N. C., as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Gore, returned to Wilmington Sunday on account of the illness of Mrs. D. L. Gore with lagrippe. Little Arabella Gore is suffering from a broken collar bone sustained some time ago as the result of falling from a trunk.

Apricot Brandy, the staff of life. If you don't believe it ask Louis Cappa.

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A PECULIARLY SAD DEATH.

Youngest Daughter of Rev. R. B. John Taken Away After Brief But Acute Illness—Operation at Hospital.

If it be true that "Death loves a shining mark," it has seldom, if ever, claimed a brighter jewel than on yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock when the soul of young Miss Louise Bynum John was taken to a world beyond, after a brief illness resulting in an operation at the James Walker Memorial Hospital, where she died, surrounded by loved ones and those who had tenderly ministered to her sufferings since it was known the night before that hope had gone out.

Miss John was the youngest daughter of the Rev. R. B. John, formerly presiding elder of the Wilmington District, M. E. church, now pastor of the Methodist church at Kinston, N. C. She was just 15 years of age on the 6th of the present month, having passed her birthday with a future as bright as bright could be. Since the family removed to Kinston in January, she had lived in this city with her aunt, Mrs. N. M. Watson, for the purpose of completing her course at the Wilmington High School, where she would have graduated with distinction in June, being one of the brightest and most popular members of the Class of 1905. Last week she was confined to the home of her aunt with a slight attack of lagrippe, but Friday She was much better and was out with companions on the street. Saturday morning appendicitis, which was at first not recognized, began to develop, growing rapidly more intense until Saturday night when she suffered acutely, and her father was notified at Kinston. He came as soon as possible, arriving Sunday evening. His daughter's condition continued to become more serious and Sunday night between 11 and 12 o'clock it became necessary to take the tender sufferer to the hospital for an operation, which was performed between 1 and 2 o'clock by Drs. Bulluck, Russell, McMillan, Guthrie and Akerman. It was then ascertained that peritonitis had already set in, making a complication which held out very little hope of recovery, despite the success of the operation. The sweet young girl passed gently away in the early afternoon following.

The remains were taken from the hospital yesterday evening to Grace M. E. church, of which she had been a member since she was 8 years of age, and the funeral will be conducted from there at 8:15 o'clock this morning by the Rev. A. McCullen, of Fifth Street M. E. church, assisted by the Rev. J. H. Wells, Ph.D., pastor of the First Presbyterian church. Members of the High School graduating class, all of whom were tenderly devoted to the deceased, will attend the services in a body and accompany the remains to the station, whence they will be taken on the northbound A. C. L. train at 9:15 A. M. to be buried at Mount Pleasant cemetery, in Chatham county, by the side of her mother, who was Mrs. Sallie W. Atwater, daughter of the late E. W. Atwater. The funeral party will be joined at University Station, Chapel Hill, by an only sister, Miss Margaret John, who is attending Danville Institute, Danville, Va., and could not reach Wilmington in time to see her sister before she died. Mrs. John arrived from Kinston yesterday morning and will accompany Mr. John with the remains. The bereaved members of the family have the tenderest sympathy of friends everywhere, in this, their hour of deepest affliction.

Funeral of Capt. Penton.

The funeral of the late Capt. Abner C. Penton was conducted at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon from the late residence, No. 111 North Seventh street, Pastor Fred D. Hale, D. D., of the First Baptist church, officiating. A large number of friends and acquaintances were in attendance and the floral offerings were very pretty. The interment was in Oakdale cemetery, the following friends having acted as pallbearers, viz: Messrs. H. T. Dula, W. E. Perdew, Frank Muar, Horton Walsh, J. D. Kelley and T. J. Pratt.

Bladen Street Revival.

The series of revival services at Bladen Street M. E. Church, which began Sunday with sermons by the Rev. L. St. Clare, promises much good during the coming week. Already much interest is being manifested. Rev. E. C. Glenn, of Greensboro, who has just concluded a most successful revival, at Magnolia, N. C., will arrive this morning and remain with Pastor Webster during the week. Services will begin nightly at 7 o'clock, with prayer meeting and sermon beginning at 7:45. A cordial welcome to all.

Drink Apricot Brandy, a great appetizer. Ask John C. Boesch.

Apricot Brandy way down on Nixon street. See Nelli Gallagher.

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I respectfully notify my friends and patrons that I have turned over to Mr. W. Van Hardin, 119 Princess street, my stock of Wines and Liquors and he will in the future offer for sale all the brands formerly sold by me, which includes the SOLE AGENCY of the R.A. Stuart's Rockbridge Rye. Thanking them for the liberal patronage to me I respectfully solicit a continuance of the same for him.

Respectfully,
N. B. RANKIN.
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Announcement

I respectfully notify my friends and patrons that I intend to quit the grocery business on the evening of Feb. 28th and thank them for their past patronage. On March 1st I will offer for sale FOR CASH my stock of groceries AT COST either as a whole or at retail.

Respectfully,
N. B. RANKIN.
feb 23 3t

St. John's Lodge No. 1, A. F. & A. M.

Emergent communication this (Tuesday) evening at 8 o'clock for work in the Master's degree.

Visitors cordially invited.

By order of the W. M.

B. C. MERRITT, Secretary.
feb 28 1t

The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

TUESDAY MORNING, FEB. 28.

SOUTHERN BANKERS AND THE COTTON MOVEMENT.

Subsequent to the action of the convention of cotton growers, merchants and bankers of the South held at New Orleans, at which it was recommended that cotton acreage and fertilizers be reduced this year, the Manufacturers' Record undertook to ascertain how effective these recommendations would be throughout the cotton belt. As a matter, of course, it was conceded that if the plans of the New Orleans convention were adherd to generally, the result would be bound to at least prevent disaster to the cotton industry of the South if it really did not accomplish the aim of cotton growers to get at least 10 cents for their cotton. In order to ascertain whether the sentiment in the cotton belt sustained the action of the New Orleans convention, the Manufacturers' Record sent out to Southern bankers a circular letter in which were the following questions were asked:

Will there be a reduction in acreage in cotton in your vicinity and a decrease in fertilizers, and if so, to what extent?

Will this decrease, if there is to be any, be brought about by general agreement among farmers, or by the refusal of banks, factors and others to advance against cotton growing as freely as in former years?

To what extent will increased attention be given to diversified agriculture, and what progress is already being made in that respect in your neighborhood?

Are the farmers in financial shape to hold their cotton and still make another crop.

In a "Southern Cotton Prospect Supplement" our enterprising Baltimore contemporary has been publishing hundreds of replies from all over the cotton States. The responses indicate a singleness of purpose everywhere to follow the plan agreed upon at New Orleans. Many of the bankers made their replies quite elaborate, far-reaching and comprehensive. They agree that acreage and the use of fertilizers will be reduced, and that the farmers will diversify their crops. The replies from the cotton growing region of North Carolina, which is the smallest cotton producing State in the South, indicate that the reduction in acreage and fertilizers will be from 15 to 25 per cent. and that our farmers will pay more attention to other crops. The farmers are reported to be in good condition and fairly independent. The fact is no Southern State has as quite a diversity of agriculture and manufactures as we have in North Carolina. Our great agricultural resources are divided between cotton, tobacco, grain and fruit crops, and the tendency in North Carolina never has been to run into one idea on agriculture or manufacture. North Carolina never has all of her eggs in one nest, and that accounts for the fact that North Carolina's prosperity is along steady lines.

Speaking of the general lesson to be learned from the bankers' letters the Manufacturers' Record, summarizing the responses, says:

All persons interested in the manifold phases of cotton have been placed under direct obligation to the bankers of the South for their illuminating treatment of the whole subject and for the positive information which they have supplied. Most significant, perhaps, are their statements regarding reduction of acreage and diversification of crops. Of 1,070 letters 968 bore directly upon these topics. Of the 968, 844 indicated a reduction in acreage this year ranging from 5 per cent. to 50; one Louisiana letter, indeed, stating that the reduction would amount to 90 per cent., and that the growers would return to cane culture. In 108 were statements that there would be no reduction, or that new land brought under cultivation would take the place of old land relinquished to other crops than cotton. The no-reduction policy seems to prevail principally in parts of Indian Territory, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, and in one region of Alabama, while at 16 points west of the Mississippi it is announced that there will be an increase in the acreage.

Much of the decrease will be accompanied by a proportionate increase of acreage devoted to other crops. So important is the matter of reduction of cotton acreage held to be that quite a number of the letters failed to refer to diversification. But of the 572 answers to that point, 503 said that the spirit of diversification is spreading, and but 69 stated either that it was too early in the season to express an opinion on that point or that the old custom of all cotton would be adhered to.

The responses from many States indicate that the farmers will plant more land in wheat, corn, oats, peas, potatoes and forage crops; more cattle, sheep and hogs will be raised and more attention will be paid to poultry, truck growing, etc. Here is the Manufacturers' Record summary of the North Carolina responses:

"Our farmers are planting more strawberries, or rather more closely attending to what they have. Many of them will plant corn, peanuts, Irish potatoes and raise hay.

"Fertilizer about the same as the past season on account of planting small grain and tobacco.

"Already right much interest in trucking.

"People have concluded to make enough to eat on farm.

"Tobacco acreage will be increased some.

"Fertilizer will be used for an increased acreage in tobacco, Irish potatoes and other crops.

"More grain and truck will be planted than ever before, and more land will be devoted to pasture for cattle."

The efforts of the Manufacturers' Record along this line indicates the progressiveness of that able journal. The scope its "Prospect Supplement" was masterful and its scheme has been thoroughly and satisfactorily carried out under able management. We have been furnished a comprehensive insight into the effectiveness of the cotton movement, and it is rather singular that some of the great Southern dailies have allowed the South's great industrial paper to scoop them on a stroke of enterprise.

MR. HENRY WALTERS.

The Charleston News and Courier pays this compliment to a gentleman whose affiliation with Wilmington makes it pleasant reading

"Mr. Henry Walters has been elected one of the trustees of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, in New York City. 'The selection of Mr. Watters,' says a dispatch to the Baltimore Sun from New York, 'as one of the trustees is a notable appreciation of what he has done for art. The fact that the management should go outside of New York to fill the vacancy is suggestive of the high standing of Mr. Walters in the circle entrusted with the management of the greatest art institution in the United States.' The compliment is well bestowed. There is no better man in all this land than Henry Walters; a more accomplished connoisseur in art, and a more public spirited, broad minded, active factor in the development of the material resources of the South. We congratulate the Metropolitan Museum of Art upon his election as a member of its governing board."

A proper estimate of Mr. Walters can hardly be so briefly expressed, but he is a man who shrinks from laudation. He is a true friend of art, and singularly enough he finds time to turn aside from the tremendous interests he has in railroad management to encourage the love of art in America. He has ever been a powerful force in the successful development of one of the South's great railroad systems, and to no other man is several Southern States more indebted for substantial encouragement along the line of progress. He is a thorough believer in the future of the South and loses no opportunity to refer to the evidences of prosperity present and prospective in our part of the country.

In a speech in the Senate on last Thuraday Senator Morgan, of Alabama, scathingly alluded to the Panama Canal Commissioners. No sooner than the commissioners with their annual salaries of $10,000 and $15 a day for expenses got into the socket of their jobs, they began accepting fees for attending meetings of the board of directors of the Panama Railroad! Be drat if some folks know when they've got enough.

TWINKLINGS

— Nordy: I wonder if the Senate ever did anything promptly? Butts: I expect it acted pretty promptly in 1814. Nordy: What happened then? Butts: The British set the building on fire.—Houston Chronicle.

— "You see," he explained, apologetically, "I didn't know just what to do." "But," protested his friend, accusingly, "surely you saw your plain duty in the matter!" "Yes, I saw it, and I guess because it was so very plain it didn't attract me."—Philadelphia Press.

X. Y. Z.—You lose. There is no United States Senator at present in jail. The gentleman of whom you speak has, up to the present writing, persistently declined the—er—the—er—shall we call it the nomination?—Louisville Courier-Journal.

— Mr. Stubbs—Certainly I am going down to the club to-night. We are going to have a monster meeting. Mrs. Stubbs—Yes, you are all monsters to be at the club when you should be home with your wives.—Chicago News.

Grave Trouble Foreseen.

It needs but little foresight to tell that when your stomach and liver are badly affected grave trouble is ahead, unless you take the proper medicine for your disease, as Mrs. John A. Young, of Clay, N. Y., did. She says: "I had neuralgia of the liver and stomach, my heart was weakened and I could not eat. I was very bad for a long time, but in Electric Bitters I found just what I needed, for they quickly relieved and cured me." Its the best medicine for weak women. Sold under guarantee by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist, at 50c a bottle.

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Messrs. ELY BROS.:—I have been a great sufferer from catarrh and hay fever and tried many things, but found no relief until I found it in Ely's Cream Balm about eight years ago, and we have been fast friends ever since. (Rev.) R. M. BENTLEY.

Messrs. ELY BROS.:—Find enclosed 50 cents, for which please send me your Cream Balm. I find your remedy the quickest and most permanent cure for cold in the head, catarrh, etc. Yours truly,

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CURRENT COMMENT.

— It is said that 20,000 men are idle in Kansas as a result of the State's fight against the Standard Oil Trust. They might break into the penitentiary and thus secure jobs in the State's new refinery.—Washington Post.

— If the government, that is to say, a party in power in national affairs, should be entrusted with rate-making for railroads, how long would it take for such questions as competition of Gulf ports or any other kind of competition to become a drastic political club loaded at both ends.—Manufacturers' Record.

— If it shall turn out that the proposed merger of important Southern iron and coal companies is preparatory to a future control by the Steel Trust it will be a most unfortunate happening for the people of the United States. The building up of a strong competitive opposition to the Steel Trust, which might well result from a combination of the Southern establishments, with a view to economies of management, would, on the contrary, be of great public service. Let us pray.—Philadelphia Record.

— Col. Bryan is giving President Roosevelt most cordial support in his endeavor to secure railway legislation. He advises him, however, that he would be in better position to push the fight if he declines to receive favors from railroads. He scouts the idea that the railroads furnished the president free trains and transportation because of the advertising that is in it, and says the president can greatly strengthen his cause by a refusal to accept such favors in the future. We do not think the president would be influenced one way or the other in his course by the use of free trains, but the general sentiment of the whole country is opposed to public officials accepting passes from railroads and most States have laws against it. The president is not above that sentiment, though, of course, there is no law as to the subject. Under any and all circumstances, whether railroad legislation is pending or not, it would be best not to accept the courtsies referred to.—Columbia Record.

COMFORTING WORDS.

Many a Wilmington Household Will Find Them So.

To have the pains and aches of a bad back removed; to be entirely free from annoying, dangerous urinary disorders is enough to make any kidney sufferer grateful. To tell how this great change can be brought about will prove comforting words to hundreds of Wilmington readers.

R. A. Biddle, clerk at 19 Market street, residing at 606 Castle street, says: "I used Doan's Kidney Pills myself for kidney trouble and my wife who also suffered from backache also used them. I never knew anything to act so quickly. I have suffered quite a long time with my back and kidneys. The kidney secretions were very dark and full of sediment. My wife also complained of her back, and when we read of Doan's Kidney Pills in our newspapers I went to R. R. Bellamy's drug store and got a box. We used them with the best results. In my case the kidney secretions cleared up and the pains left my back. We have neither of us complained since taking Doan's Kidney Pills, and it is with pleasure that I recommend them at every opportunity."

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Remember the name—Doan's—and take no substitute.

— "Ah! Miss Roxey," began the weather-beaten English nobleman, with a soulful look, "let us not be so formal. May I not call you Goldie, and will not you address me by some appropriate, some familiar"—"All right 'Grandpap!'" interrupted the heiress.—Philadelphia Press.

Poisons in Food.

Perhaps you don't realize that many pain poisons originate in your food, but some day you may feel a twinge of dyspepsia that will convince you. Dr. King's New Life Pills are guaranteed to cure all sickness due to poisons of undigested food, or money back. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. Try them.

A KOREAN CINDERELLA.

The Quaint Story of Peach Blossom, the Family Drudge.

In Korea the people tell a Cinderella story that is much more ancient than that familiar to western people. The key of the latter story is the slipper, but not so theirs. Peach Blossom, the Korean Cinderella's name, was the family drudge. One day as the mother was starting off with the favorite daughter to a picnic she said to Peach Blossom, "You must not leave until you have hulled a bagful of rice and filled the broken crock with water." While sitting there bemoaning her hard lot she heard a twittering and a fluttering of wings. Looking up, she saw a flock of sparrows pecking the hulls off the rice. Before recovering from her surprise a little imp jumped out of the fireplace and so skillfully repaired the crock that but a few minutes of work was required to fill it with water. Then she went to the picnic and had a royal time.

On another occasion the mother said, "You must stay until you have pulled up all the weeds in the field." This time a cow came out of the forest and ate up the weeds in ten mouthfuls. Peach Blossom followed the cow into the woods and was led to where there was an abundance of ripe, luscious fruit. Gathering a large quantity, she went to the fete and was the most welcome guest. Her jealous sister asked about it and, on being told, determined she would get some of this fruit for herself.

When the next gala day came the sister stayed at home and let Peach Blossom go. The cow came out of the woods as before, and the sister followed it through tangled brier and thorn bushes, with the result that her face was much scratched and her skin deep beauty all gone.—Exchange.

Catbirds and Black Snake.

A writer in the Scientific American says: "I witnessed a pair of catbirds making a bold defense against a black snake bent on devouring the contents of their nests. At first the snake was inclined to disregard the distressed birds as they fought to drive it away, but the blows of their wings and bills became so annoying that the thief had to seek refuge in flight. On reaching the roots of the tree from which the river had washed the dirt, the snake started to climb, only to be driven beneath them and then out to an old stump, under which the baffled and beaten reptile took refuge."

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

C. C. Railroad—11 bales cotton, 80 barrels tar, 18 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & W. Railroad—45 bales cotton, 5 barrels tar.

W. C. & A. Railroad—464 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 10 barrels rosin, 38 barrels tar, 9 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—13 bales cotton, 4 barrels tar.

Steamer Tar Heel—11 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 12 barrels rosin, 175 barrels tar, 9 barrels crude turpentine.

Total—544 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 23 barrels rosin, 232 barrels tar, 24 barrels crude turpentine.

— Charlotte Observer: "We may be mistaken, yet we were under the impression that some time ago there was room for more patients at the Morganton Hospital, but that the State could not afford to prepare for or support them."—Durham Herald. Our contemporary is quite right. A new building to accommodate 230 female patients was opened at Morganton last year and was not immediately filled for the reason that the support fund was not equal to their maintenance. So rapidly as the maintenance fund became available, the unoccupied wards were filled with patients who should have been in the hospital, some of them, years before. Applicants have been admitted in a sound discretion, and yet others knock at the door. But the hospital is full, and no more can be admitted at Morganton or Raleigh unless the Legislature does something.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, February 27.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market firm at $2.55 bid per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.60 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.30 per barrel for hard, $3.70 for dip.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine nothing doing; rosin nothing doing; tar firm at $1.40; crude turpentine firm at $2.25@4.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	3
Rosin	22
Tar	252
Crude turpentine	34

Receipts same day last year—13 casks spirits turpentine, 297 barrels rosin, 67 barrels tar, 7 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market dull at 7¾c for middling.

Same day last year, market dull at 13¼c for middling.

Receipts—544 bales; same day last year, 9.

(Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.)

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 90c; extra prime, 95c; fancy, $1.00, per bushel of twenty eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 85c; extra prime, 90c; fancy, 95c. Spanish, 85@90c.

CORN—Firm; 60@65c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 14@15c per pound; shoulders, 11c; sides, dull, 10@11c.

EGGS—Dull at 20@22c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 15@35c; springs, 12½@15c.

TURKEYS—Dull at 12½c for live; 16½c for dressed.

BEESWAX—Firm at 26@27c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6c per pound.

PORK—Firm at 7@8c net.

PEAS—White, $1.75@1.85; clay, $1.2 @1.35.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 60@75c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2@3½c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Money on call firm at 2¾@3 per cent.; closing bid 2¾ per cent, offered at 3; time loans were steady; sixty days 3 per cent.; ninety days 3 per cent.; six months 3½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3½@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange was quoted heavy, with actual business in bankers' bills 486.75@486.80 for demand and at 484.85@484.70 for sixty day bills. The posted rates 485½ and 487½@488. Commercial bills 484½. Bar silver 60. Mexican dollars 46¼. U. S. refunding 2's, reg'd, ex int. 104½; do. coupon, 104½; U. S. 3's, registered, 104; do. coupon, 104; U. S. 4's, new, registered, 132; U. S. 4's, new, coupon, 133; U. S. 4's, old; registered, ex int. 104½; do. coupon, 105¾; American Tobacco 4's cert., 75¾; American Tobacco 6's cert., 115½; Atlantic Coast Line 4's, 103; Louisville & Nashville, unified 4's, 103¾; Seaboard Air Line 4's 91½; Southern Railway 5's, 119¼. STOCKS: Atlantic Coast Line 125; Baltimore & Ohio preferred 96; Chesapeake & Ohio 51¼; Louisville & Nashville 140; Manhattan L 171½; New York Central 158¾; Reading 95¾; do. 1st pref'd, 91½; do. 2nd pref'd 89¾; Southern Railway 35½; do. pref'd 96; Amalgamated Copper 75¾; People's Gas 108¾; Tennessee Coal and Iron 93¼; U. S. Leather 12¾; U. S. Leather preferred, 104¼; Western Union 93¾; U. S. Steel 55¾; do. preferred 95½; Mexican Central 24½; Virginia-Carolina Chemical, 84; sales — shares; do. preferred, 106; sales — shares. Standard Oil 610.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 27.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 18½; do. preferred, 38.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Rosin firm. Strained, common to good, $2 87½@2 90. Spirits turpentine dull at 53¾@53¾c.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 27.—Spirits turpentine and rosin—nothing doing.

SAVANNAH, Feb. 27.—Spirits turpentine firm at 50c; receipts 1 cask; sales 280 casks; shipments 385 casks. Rosin firm; receipts 339 barrels; sales 391 barrels; shipments 1,870 barrels: A, B, C, $2 72½; D, $2 77½; E, $2 82½; F, $2 90; G, $2 95; H $3 25; I, $3 50; K, $4 05; M, $4 50; N, $4 75; W G, $5 00; W W $5 15.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—The cotton market was moderately active and in a general way easier with final prices showing a comparatively small loss for the day, under liquidation and bear pressure growing out of better weather, larger receipts and talk of weakness among interior holders. The opening was steady at unchanged prices to a decline of six points, or rather better than due on the cables which reported a decline of 5@6 points on futures and of seven points on spot cotton, although the latter continued in good demand, with sales of 12,000 bales at the decline. At first the market showed some hesitation. On the call houses with Southern, particularly New Orleans, connections, appeared to be selling, but one or two local professionals were buying and there was support by the brokers believed to represent Philadelphia spot interests. But shortly after the start the big estimate's for tomorrow's receipts at Houston and New Orleans were posted and market broke under active liquidation and a renewal of bearish pressure from traders, after working down to a net decline of about 15 to 18 points in the early afternoon with March showing greatest weakness, covering by early sellers and private advices reporting very little spot cotton offering in the South steadied the market, which closed at a net decline of 6 to 11 points. Sales of futures were estimated at 300,000 bales.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Cotton was dull at 7.60; net receipts 60 bales; gross receipts 521 bales; stock 68,431 bales.

Spot cotton closed dull and 15 points lower: middling uplands 7.60; middling gulf 7.85c; sales — bales.

Futures opened steady at the decline: February 7.24, March 7.25, April 7.25 bid, May 7.23, June 7.30 bid, July 7.30, August 7.38, September 7.43, October 7.37, November 7.30 bid, December 7.33 bid.

Futures market closed steady: February 7.18, March 7.18, April 7.25, May 7.28, June 7.28, July 7.29, August 7.32, September 7.37, October 7.42, November 7.45, December 7.49.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 20,983 bales; exports to Great Britain 24,496 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to the Continent 2,019 bales; exports to Japan — bales; exports to Mexico — bales; stock 653,733 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 41,936 bales; exports to Great Britain 34,496 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to Continent 27,325 bales; exports to Japan — bales; exports to Mexico — bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 7,036,280 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,644,528 bales; exports to France 590,494 bales; exports to the Continent 2,223,148 bales; exports to Japan 17,250 bales; exports to Mexico 31,524 bales.

Feb. 27.—Galveston, quiet at 7¼c, net receipts 8,433 bales; Norfolk, steady at 7½c, net receipts 748 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 7½c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 7.60c, net receipts 47 bales; Wilmington, steady at 7¾, net receipts 544 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 7.85, net receipts — bales; Savannah, easy at 7¼c, net receipts 3,267 bales; New Orleans, steady at 7 5-16, net receipts 6,165 bales; Mobile, quiet at 7¼c, net receipts 1,260 bales; Memphis, steady at 7 7-16c, net receipts 1,087 bales; Augusta, steady at 7¼c, net receipts 656 bales; Charleston, nominal, net receipts 409 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb 27.—Flour was quiet and partially lower; Minnesota patents $5 90@6 20. Wheat—Spot easy; No. 2 red $1 22¾ f. o. b. afloat. The uncovering of some big stop orders accompanied by rumors that the Wall street clique had unloaded broke the market over 2c a bushel. An afternoon rally with corn left options finally ⅞@1c net higher: May closed $1 16½; July closed $1 04¼; September closed 95c. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 58c at elevator. Options market closed ⅛@⅜c net higher: May closed 53¾c; July closed 53¾c; September closed —c. Oats—Spot quiet; mixed, 26@32 lbs., 37@38c. Butter steady; creamery, 32c; State dairy 24@30c. Cheese firm; State, small colored and white 10¼@13¼c. Eggs firm; nearby, selected 33c; Southern 25@30c. Rice firm. Sugar—Raw firm; fair refining 4 9-16@4¾c; centrifugal, 96 test 5 1-16@5⅜; molasses sugar 4 5 16@4¾; refined firm. Lard firm; Western steam $7 15; refined firm; continent $7 20; compound 4¾@5¼c. Peanuts firm; fancy hand-picked 5¼@5¾c; other domestic grades 3¾@5¼. Potatoes steady; Long Island, in bulk, per 180 lbs, $1 50@2 00; State and Western $1 25@1 35; Jersey sweets $2 00@4 50. Cabbages steady; domestic, per ton, $6 00@10 00. Freights to Liverpool—Cotton, 13@14c. Pork firm. Molasses steady. Cotton seed oil was quiet with prices irregular: Prime crude, f. o. b. mills 21c; prime summer yellow 37@38; off summer yellow nominal; prime white 39c; prime winter yellow 31c.

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—A sensational slump of nearly 4 cents a bushel today apparently ended a huge deal in May wheat. The break was due to seeming abandonment of the deal. The market rallied considerably on covering by shorts, but at the close May was still 1¾@2c below Saturday's final quotations. July showed a net loss of ⅞c. Corn closed strong with a net gain of ⅞@1c. Oats are up ¼c. Provisions are 7½@12½c higher.

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—Cash prices: Flour steady. Wheat—No. 2 spring $1 13@1 17; No. 3 do. $1 07@1 17; No. 2 red $1 15¼@1 20¾. Corn—No. 2 45¼@45½; No. 2 yellow 45½@45¾. Oats—No. 2 31@31½c; No. 3 white, 31¾c; No. 3 white 30¾@31¾c. Rye—No. 2 75c. Mess pork, per bbl, $12 45@12 50. Lard, per 100 lbs, $8 85@8 87. Short rib sides, loose, $8 57@8 70. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, no report. Short clear sides, boxed, $8 75@8 87. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 23.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 May $1 18@1 18¾. 1 18¾, 1 14¾, 1 16¼@1 18¾; July $1 01¾@1 01¾, 1 01¾, 99¼, 1 00¾@1 00¾; September 92¾@92¾, 92¾, 90¾, 92c. Corn—Febuary —, —, —, 45¾; May 47¾, 48¾@48¾, 47¾@47¾, 48¼; July 48@48¾, 48¾@48¾, 47¾, 48¾@48¾. Oats—February —, —, —, 31@31½; May 31@31¾, 31¾, 30¾, 31¾@31¾; July 31, 31¾, 30¾, 31¾. Mess pork, per bbl—May $12 50, 12 65, 12 40, 12 65; July $12 55, 12 72, 12 55, 12 72. Lard, per 100 lbs—May $8 95, 7 02, 6 90, 7 02; July, $7 07, 7 12, 7 07, 7 12. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—May $8 70, 6 80, 6 67, 6 80; July $6 85, 6 92, 6 82, 6 92.

NEW YORK COFFEE FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Coffee—Spot Rio easy; No. 7 invoice 8c; mild steady; Cordova 10@13¼c. Futures closed steady at a 20@25 points decline.

FOREIGN MARKETS

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 27.—Cotton: Spot in fair demand; prices seven points lower; American middling fair 4.58d; good middling 4.26d; middling 4 14d; low middling 4.02d; good ordinary 3.88d; ordinary 3.79d. The sales of the day were 12,000 bales, of which 1,000 bales were for speculation and export and included 11,500 bales American. Receipts 1,000 bales, including 500 bales American.

Futures opened easier and closed quiet and steady; American middling (g oc): February 3.94; February and March 3.94d; March and April 3.94d; April and May 3 97d; May and June 3.98d; June and July 4.00d; July and August 4.01d; August and September 4.02d; September and October 4.03d; October and November 4.04d; November and December 4 04d.

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Stmr Tar Heel, Bradshaw, Fayetteville, S M King.

Schr Elizabeth T Doyle, Stevens, New York, C D Maffitt.

EXPORTS.

COASTWISE.

NEW YORK—Schr M C Haskell, 264,610 feet lumber; cargo by Cape Fear Lumber Co; vessel by C D Maffitt.

NEW YORK—Schr Elizabeth T Doyle, 3,350 barrels fish oil; cargo by Cape Fear Fisheries Co; vessel by C D Maffitt.

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By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of New Hanover county made in the ca e of annie J. adgwar, administratrix of Sophia A. Price deceased, vs Fred C. Sadgwar, et al, the undersigned commissioner appointed by said decree, will sell to the highest bidder for cash, at the Court House door, in the city of Wilmington, on Saturday, the 18th day of March, 1908, at 12 o'clock m., the following described land, situate in Cape Fear township, New Hanover county:

1st. One-half undivided interest in that tract of la d begining at a pruce Pine Jerry Fonville's third corner in the old line in a Bay, runs thence with Samuel Davis' line s 45 deg 30 min E 51 chains to a dead pine stump; thence with another of said Davis' l nes s 58 deg. 30 min. E 13 chains a d 75 links to a large poplar on the N. edge of the Ditch Pond Branch, one chain above where said branch enters into Broad Water Branch, thence down said r anch N. 51 deg. 30 m n E 3 chains and 75 links to a dead pine stump; thence N 24 deg W 3 chains and 25 links to a small Black Gum; thence N 8 deg W 2 chains to a large west Gum on the N side of the pring Branch; thence N 63 deg W 1 chain 50 links to a small west Gum; thence N 18 deg 30 min W 4 chains to a large poplar; thence N 8 deg. East 2 chains and 50 links to a west Gum; thence N. 50 deg E. 4 chains and 2 li ks to a long st aw pine; thence N 56 deg. 30 min. E 3 chains and 14 links to a White Oak; thence N. 11 deg. 3 chains and 25 links to a Poplar; thence N 14 deg W 2. chains and 65 links to a large forked long straw pine; thence N 13 deg 30 mi E 6 chains and 11 links to two small Dog woods; thence N 51 deg. W 3 chains to a long straw pine; thence N 76 deg 45 min E 4 chains and 15 links to a spruce pine; thence s 46 deg 30 mi n. 4 chai s a d 16 li ks to a large hollow Poplar; thence 12 deg E 50 links to a stake; thence W 4 chains to the beginning, containing about 53 acres more or less

2nd One-half undivided interest in that tract of land beginning at a large Gum Tree, high water mark of DeRossett's branch, near where it empties into Broad Water branch, and runn ng thence N 54½ deg. E 3 chains and 75 links to a pine; thence s 86½ deg E 3 chains and 38 links to a pine; thence s 71 deg E 5 chains and 20 links to a pine; thence N 84½ deg. E. 3 chains and 75 links to a pine; thence s 45½ deg N 2 chains and 9 links to a pine; thence s 10½ deg E. 2 chains and 8 links to a pi e; the ce s 45½ deg. E. 7 chains a d 80 li ks to a small sweet gum tree on the N. side of said DeR. sett's br nch and of the old shelter road, thence N with said road 50 links; thence N. 45½ deg W 7 chains and 84 links, the ce N 10 deg. W two chains and 2 links thence N. 45½ deg. W 3 chains a d 9 li ks; thence s 84½ 3 chai s a d 73 li ks; the ce s. 71 deg. 1 chai s a d 2 li ks; the ce N. 6 deg. W. 8 chai s a d 10 li ks; the ce 25 deg. W 3 chai s a d 75 li ks to a Gum tree; the ce s 38½ deg W. 4 chai s to a Dog wood tree on Broad Water branch; the ce northwardly 30 g high water mark of Broad after br nch with its various mea ders to the begin i g. Co tai i g 1 g 1 acre more or less

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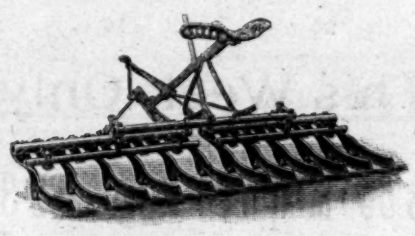

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— The mutilated remains of Lula Reid, colored, were found on the Southern Railway track at Charlotte Saturday night by Engineer Thomas who was running a switch engine making up a train and was about to run over the body. A train had passed over her, but no blood ran from the portion of the body mashed by the train. This leads to the suspicion that she had been murdered and placed on the track. The coroner's jury found that the woman came to her death from a wound in the top of her head, inflicted with some sharp instrument, in the hands of an unknown party.

— Charlotte Observer: One of the most sensible pieces of legislation attempted since the present Legislature assembled is the bill introduced Saturday by Representative Alexander, providing for a maximum State and county poll tax of $3 and a maximum city poll tax of $1. The bill got a good start and there should be no delay in making it a law. North Carolinians are a tax-ridden people, as witness the statement to the Raleigh correspondent of The Observer by a gentleman from one city, that the poll tax there amounted to $9. In many cases the persons from whom this exorbitant poll tax is exacted enjoy no greater benefit than the privilege of walking the streets.

— Raleigh News and Observer: The gathering last week in Raleigh of a number of Republicans of more or less prominence was devoted, according to one who attended the several meetings, to a discussion of the loaves and fishes concerning the local brigade in the Eastern district. As a result it was officially decided by this meeting that these local heads would fall: Postmaster C. T. Bailey, Collector E. C. Duncan, Marshal H. C. Dockery. The Republican clans were well represented. Mr. E. Spencer Blackburn was here, with hair roached and looking handsome, and wearing a cravat which was of a redness with black spots. As the Republican representative in Washington and in touch with the President, Mr E. Spencer was the light around which the lesser illuminaries revolved and the oracle to whom they gave most willing ear, Mr. Blackburn, himself, was silent as to his presence as becomes a man who carries destinies in his handkerchief pocket. Beyond a prophecy of dire misfortune as a result of the Ward bill to the Democracy and the statement that the Republicans were gaining the ground for a sweeping of the State two years from now, Mr. Blackburn was a bird without a song.

— Charlotte Observer, Feb. 27: Last night Mrs. Willie Shannon was a passenger on the 7:25 train from Charlotte to Matthews. When the porter cried the Matthews station, Mrs. Shannon went to the door and jumped off with her baby in her arms. The train was then a quarter of a mile from the station. When it came to a stop at the usual place, some one who had seen Mrs. Shannon jump off told the conductor of it and he had the train to back up to her. They found the baby uninjured, cooing and happy enough. But its mother was unconscious. She had fallen upon her left shoulder, and theugh Dr. Bruner, of Matthews, made a hurried examination, it was not known exactly how serious were her injuries. The train people put her on the sleeper, carried her down to the station, and left her in the physician's charge. She could walk, with assistance, but she continued delirious crying, "Where am I?" "Where is my pocket-book?" and such like. She held her pocket-book in her hand. Mrs. Shannon lives in the country some two miles out from Matthews. She was well dressed and is a pretty woman. Only a little distance from where she took her leap there had been a washout, and if she had leaped upon it, it had been the end of her days.

— Poplar Branch, Currituck county, correspondence of the Elizabeth City Tar Heel, Feb 23: Search in forests and swamps for the body of Kenneth Beasley has been abandoned for the present and the family and friends of Senator Sam. M. Beasley, father of the missing boy, are working on strong clues which indicate that the boy is living, and hope to restore him to home and loved ones soon. The boy is thought to be secreted near Shiloh, and Johnson Cartwright, ex-sheriff, was summoned home today to make investigation of every house in that neighborhood. Hon. H. B. Ansell, of Currituck courthouse, and others saw, on the evening the boy disappeared, a strange man driving a black mule, and in the buggy with him was a boy, crying, whom he was trying to pacify. To-day a reliable clue was secured which incates that the boy is being secreted with a family near Shiloh, and developments are hourly expected. Ten days ago to day, little Kenneth Beasley, the 8-year-old son of State Senator S. B. Beasley, mysteriously disappeared from the sight of family and friends, and each day since, until now, a large battalion of men have scoured every foot of the ground for miles about, without avail. Some persons believe he wandered far into the forest and froze to death; others believe he was kidnapped. The latter seems to be the most plausible theory, according to late developments. Senator Beasley has no enemies of which he is aware.

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Howland Improvement Company, Lessee.

Schedule in Effect Feb. 5 1905.

EASTBOUND.

Station.	No. 3.	No. 5.
Lv Goldsboro	3 45 p m	8 00 a m
Lv LaGrange	4 16 p m	8 28 a m
Lv Kinston	4 40 p m	8 52 a m
Lv Dover	5 02 p m	9 14 a m
Lv Cove	5 16 p m	9 27 a m
Lv Tuscarora	5 26 p m	9 37 a m
Ar Newbern	5 45 p m	10 00 a m

	No. 7 (accom)
Lv New Bern	5 55 p m
Lv Riverdale	6 18 p m
Lv Havelock	6 34 p m
Lv Newport	6 50 p m
Ar Morehead City	7 12 p m

	12 30 p m	
	1 12 p m	
	1 40 p m	
	2 00 p m	
	2 55 p m	

WESTBOUND.

Station	No. 4	No. 8 (Accom)
Lv Morehead City	7 00 a m	3 30 a m
Lv Newport	8 11 a m	6 34 a m
Lv Havelock	8 27 a m	7 02 a m
Lv Riverdale	8 42 a m	7 30 a m
Ar New Bern	9 00 a m	8 05 a m

Station	No. 6
Lv New Bern	9 15 a m
Lv Tuscarora	9 37 a m
Lv Cove	9 49 a m
Lv Dover	10 03 a m
Lv Kinston	10 27 a m
Lv LaGrange	10 51 a m
Ar Goldsboro	11 23 a m

	6 10 p m
	6 32 p m
	6 44 p m
	6 58 p m
	7 20 p m
	7 42 p m
	8 10 p m

Trains 3, 4, 5 and 6 run daily.
Trains 7 and 8 run daily except Sunday.

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E. B. WILLIAMSON, Agent.
fe 18 10t Wilmington, N. C.

To The Beach and Wrightsville

Suburban and City Schedule.

In Effect January 12, 1905.

Suburban Schedule (daily except Sunday.)

Leave Front and Princess	Leave the Beach
6.30 A. M.	8.00 A. M.
10.00 A. M.	12.30 P. M.
3.00 P. M.	5.15 P. M.
Leave Wrightsville	
6.10 P. M.	6.45 P. M.
7.30 " "	8.15 " "
9.00 " "	9.30 " "
10.00 " "	10.30 " "

Extra Cars on Sundays.

Note: Trains leaving Front and Princess Sts. at 6.10, 7.30, 9:00 and 10:00 P. M. will go over to Beach on request.

The 3 o'clock car comes back to The "Light house" at 4.20 P. M., thus giving one an opportunity to enjoy the oyster roast as well as visit the ocean.

CITY SCHEDULE.

Regular City Cars.

Brooklyn and Belt line cars leave Front and Princess streets every 10 minutes beginning at 7.35 A. M., daily except Sunday. Sunday at 8.05 A. M. Last Brooklyn and Belt line cars leave Front and Princess streets at 12.05 night.

Hospital and Cemetery Cars. (Without change.)

Leave Front and Princess	Leave Cemetery
9.00 A. M.	9.20 A. M.
3.10 P. M.	3.30 P. M.
4.50 P. M.	5.05 P. M.

Delgado and Golf Link Car (Without change.) Daily except Sunday

Leave Front and Princess	Leave Golf Links
2.40 P. M.	4.00 P. M.
5.10 " "	5.30 " "

A. C. L. Depot Car (Without change.)

Leave Front and Princess	Leave A. C. L. Depot
10.00 A. M.	10.10 A. M.
5.40 P. M.	6.00 P. M.

S. A. L. Car (Without change.)

Leave Front and Princess	Leave S. A. L. Depot
12.35 P. M.	12.45 P. M.
2.55 P. M.	3.00 P. M.
11.15 P. M.	11.30 P. M.

FREIGHT SCHEDULE.

Daily except Sunday.

Leave 9th and Orange	Leave the Beach
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NORTHBOUND.

	No 48	No 42
Lv Wilmington	9 15 a m	8 50 p m
Ar Goldsboro	12 06 p m	9 32 p m
Ar Wilson	1 16 p m	10 25 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 55 p m	11 10 p m
Ar Norfolk	5 55 p m	.....
Ar Weldon	4 58 p m	1 47 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 56 p m	3 43 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	4 37 a m
Ar Washington	11 50 p m	7 54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 43 a m	9 00 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 25 a m	11 22 a m
Ar New York	7 30 a m	2 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No 41	No 49
Lv New York	9 25 a m	9 25 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 55 a m	12 01 a m
Ar Baltimore	2 07 p m	2 36 a m
Ar Washington	3 21 p m	3 45 a m
Ar Norfolk	.....	9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	7 15 p m	8 38 a m
Ar Petersburg	8 05 p m	9 45 a m
Ar Weldon	9 81 p m	11 50 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 51 p m	1 05 p m
Ar Wilson	11 38 p m	2 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	6 45 a m	3 10 p m
Ar Wilmington	10 10 a m	6 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND

	*Daily	Daily	Daily
Lv Wilmington	6 00 a m	3 30 p m	6 50 p m
Ar Florence	9 35 a m	7 30 p m	9 55 a m
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 25 p m	6 45 a m
Ar Savannah	6 45 p m	2 55 a m	9 05 a m
Ar Jacksonville		8 40 a m	1 40 p m
Ar Tampa		7 35 p m	10 35 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	*Daily	Daily
Lv Tampa	8 40 p m	9 00 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7 55 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Savannah	1 10 p m	1 15 a m
Ar Charleston	5 14 p m	6 55 a m
Ar Florence	7 59 p m	9 05 a m
Ar Wilmington	12 55 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	West Bound *Daily	East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	3 10 a m	Ar 8 40 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 20 p m	Ar 4 45 p m
Ar Sanford	1 55 p m	Lv 3 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN.

	North Bound Daily ex Sunday	South Bound
Lv Wilmington	2 35 p m	Ar 12 30 p m
Ar Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv 9 00 a m

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NORTHBOUND		
Leave Wilmington	4 35 a m	3 00 p m
Leave Hamlet	6 50 a m	10 30 p m
" Southern Pines	9 46 a m	11 20 p m
" Raleigh	11 40 a m	1 35 a m
" Norlina	1 40 p m	3 34 a m
Arrive Portsmouth	5 30 p m	8 30 a m
Leave Richmond	4 55 p m	6 25 a m
" Washington	8 26 p m	9 50 a m
" Baltimore	11 17 p m	11 30 a m
" Philadelphia	2 35 a m	1 45 p m
Arrive New York	6 30 a m	4 15 p m

SOUTHBOUND.	No. 31	No. 45
Leave New York	12 25 p m	9 25 p m
" Philadelphia	2 55 a m	12 25 a m
" Baltimore	5 17 p m	2 35 a m
" Washington	7 25 p m	4 30 a m
" Richmond	11 00 p m	9 10 a m
Leave Portsmouth	9 30 p m	9 25 a m
Leave Norlina	1 35 a m	1 40 p m
" Raleigh	4 15 a m	4 00 p m
" Southern Pines	6 29 a m	6 10 p m
" Hamlet	8 40 a m	7 50 p m
Arrive Wilmington	12 45 p m	11 50 p m

Between Wilmington and Atlanta

SOUTHBOUND		No. 41
Leave Wilmington		3 00 p m
Leave Hamlet		10 15 p m
Arrive Athens		6 18 a m
Arrive Atlanta		7 40 p m

NORTHBOUND	No. 38
Leave Atlanta	8 00 p m
" Athens	11 23 p m
" Hamlet	8 40 a m
Arrive Wilmington	12 45 p m

Between Wilmington and Tampa

SOUTHBOUND		No. 43
Leave Wilmington		3 00 p m
Leave Hamlet		10 10 p m
" Columbia		12 15 a m
" Savannah		4 05 a m
" Jacksonville		8 25 a m
Arrive Tampa		6 35 p m

NORTHBOUND	No. 98
Leave Tampa	8 50 a m
" Jacksonville	7 50 p m
" Savannah	12 10 a m
" Columbia	5 30 a m
" Hamlet	8 40 a m
Arrive Wilmington	12 45 p m

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

TUESDAY MORNING, FEB. 28.

TAX ON PACKING HOUSES.

Georgia's Law to Collect $200 from Agents Sustained—The Texas Anti-Trust Law Upheld.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The Supreme Court of the United States to-day affirmed the decision of the Supreme court of the State of Georgia in the case of Frank E. Kehrer vs. Andrew P. Stewart, tax collector for Fulton county, Ga. The case grew out of an effort to collect a tax of $200 from Kehrer as the Atlanta agent of Nelson Morris & Company, of Chicago, under the State law fixing a tax of $200 on the agents of packing houses doing business in the State. The Georgia court held that in cases in which meats were merely consigned to an agent to be distributed to purchasers the law cannot be sustained because it is an interference with interstate commerce, but that in cases in which they are shipped to him for sale it is valid and that under it the agent is liable for the tax. The opinion today was delivered by Justice McKenna.

The Supreme Court to-day also decided the case of the National Cotton Oil Company vs. the State of Texas, involving the Texas anti-trust law. The State court found the company guilty under that law and held that it had forfeited its right to do business in the State. The case was appealed to the Supreme Court on constitutional grounds. That court, however, in its opinion to-day, which was delivered by Justice McKenna, held that the charge was untenable and sustained the verdict of the court below.

MINE HORROR IN WEST VIRGINIA.

Fifteen Corpses Recovered and Others Yet in the Mine.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BLUEFIELD, W. VA., Feb. 27.—As a result of an explosion in shaft No. 1 of the United States Coal and Coke Company at Wilcoe Sunday, twenty-three miners are supposed to have lost their lives, and it is possible that the number will exceed this. Up to 8 P. M. fifteen dead bodies had been taken from the shaft. A large rescuing party worked in the mines Sunday night. It is barely possible but not likely that some of the remaining entombed men will be rescued alive. The explosion was of terrific force and shattered glass windows a mile distant. Immediately after the shock great numbers of miners, who were off duty, it being Sunday, rushed to the shaft to find great clouds of smoke and dust gushing from its mouth. Mothers, children and other relatives soon were weeping and pleading for the rescue of those dear to them entombed in the mine. The officials of the mines, including General Manager Reis, were soon on the ground and the work of rescuing miners was directed by Mr. Reis. The miners thus far recovered are all Italians and Hungarians and have not as yet been identified.

The company usually works in this shaft about seventy-five miners, but as it was Sunday the men were not all in, hence the small loss of lives can be attributed only to this fact. The United States Coal and Coke Company, with principal offices in Pittsburg, Pa., is a part of the United States Steel Corporation.

TRUSTEES OF UNIVERSITY.

Those Recommended to Legislature for Election—Empie, of New Hanover.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 27.—The Committee on Trustees of the University of North Carolina to-night decided to recommend the following to be elected by the Legislature:

For term ending 1913—B. F. Dixon, Cleveland; R. A. Doughton, Alleghany; F. A. Daniels, Wayne; B. F. Long, Iredell; F. W. Hancock, Granville; F. J. Cox, Anson; C. Price, Cowan; T. S. Rollins, Buncombe; F. S. Spruill, Franklin; Claude Dockery, Wake; John Sprunt Hill, Durham; L. F. Moore, Pitt; R. T. Gray, Wake; J. Holt, Guilford; Charles E. Jones, Buncombe; N. A. Ramsey, Durham; A. M. Scales, Guilford; George W. Connor, Wilson, J. S. Cunningham, Person; S. C. Bragaw, Beaufort.

For term ending 1907—A. H. Eller, Forsythe; J. A. Lockhart, Jr., Anson; C. B. Aycock, Wayne; W. S. Pearson, Burke; Charles H. Stedman, Guilford.

For the term ending 1909—Thomas Ruffin, Mecklenburg.

For the term ending 1911—B. G. Empie, New Hanover; C. F. Toms, Henderson.

PENDER SUPERIOR COURT.

Judge Oliver H. Allen Popular in County. Docket for Trial.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

BURGAW, N. C., Feb. 27. — The Spring term of Superior Court convened here to-day, Judge O. H. Allen presiding. Judge Allen was solicitor of this district for a number of years and is known by most every citizen of the county, and no one knows him but to say that he is one of the ablest and most efficient judges on the bench. The following is a list of the grand jury: R. W. Rivenbark (foreman), J. O. Jones, L. J. Meadows, K. D. Corbett, E. J. Padgett, S. J. Sidbury, W. G. Dixie, S. T. Moore, G. W. McMillain, G. W. Gurganus, R. C. Calson, Luke Gilleson, H. C. Bell, G. W. Mallard, J. J. Bonham, M. S. Rooks, Major Clark and Harry Durham. There are 90 civil and 19 criminal cases on the docket. It is thought that the court will continue until Saturday.

Phenomenal Champagne Record.

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PARTISAN VOTE ON IMPEACHMENT.

Judge Charles Swayne Found Not Guilty of Misdemeanors and High Crimes.

DEMOCRATS VOTED GUILTY.

Senate Stands for Greater Navy—Carmack Declared Roosevelt is Inflicted With Propensity to Interfere in Affairs of Other Nations.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The Senate to-day concluded the impeachment trial of Judge Swayne by acquitting him on all the charges made against him in the articles of impeachment presented by the House.

Voting on the Swayne case began at 10:10, 20 minutes after the Senate convened and continued until 11:45. There was no discussion and the time was consumed in the taking the twelve votes necessary to dispose of each of the articles. The highest vote for impeachment was 35 votes, and the lowest against 47. On the two articles charging the use of private railroad cars only 13 votes were cast for conviction. The larger votes were largely along party lines.

Judge Swayne was not in the Senate during the roll calls, but sat in the President's room just back of the chamber. The result of each ballot was sent to him by his attorneys. Five of the House managers attended during the proceedings.

When the first was read charging Judge Swayne with making a false certificate for expenses while holding court at Waco, Texas, the presiding officer said:

"Senators, how say you? Is the respondent, Charles Swayne, guilty or not guilty as charged in this article?"

The calling of the roll by the secretary was then begun. The first Senator to rise in response to the call was Mr. Alger, who voted "not guilty" in clear and distinct tones.

Mr. Bacon was the first Democrat on the roll and likewise the first to answer in the affirmative, finding Judge Swayne guilty. The vote throughout was largely partisan, and stood 33 to 49.

The Senators who voted guilty were Bacon, Bailey, Bard, Bate, Garry, Carmack, Clark, of Montana, Clay Cockrell, Culberson, Daniel, Foster, of Louisiana, Gorman, Kittridge, Latimer, McCreary, McCumber, McEnery, McLaurin, Mallory, Martin, Money, Morgan, Nelson, Newlands, Overman, Patterson, Pettus, Simmons, Tallaferro, Teller.

Under the rule requiring a two-thirds vote to convict, 55 votes in the affirmative would have been necessary to convict. As this vote was almost reversed, Judge Swayne was pronounced to be not guilty. The chair announced this to be the result.

The reading and voting upon the other articles followed in rapid succession. The second charge was that of an excessive charge for expenses while holding court at Tyler, Texas. The proceeding in this case was an exact counterpart of that on the first articles, and the result was 32 for conviction and 50 for acquittal.

The third charge also related to excessive expense charges at Tyler, Texas, and the vote was identical with the vote on the second article, 32 to 50.

The 4th and 5th articles related to the use of private cars. There were only 13 votes of guilty on them as follows: Bailey, Berry, Blackburn, Carmack, Cockrell, Culberson, Daniel, McLaurin, Martin, Money, Morgan, Newlands and Pettus, all Democrats. Sixty-nine senators voted for acquittal.

On the sixth charge, that of non-residence by Judge Swayne in his district, the vote was 31 to 51.

On the seventh article, relating to residence, the vote was 19 for conviction and 63 against. The affirmative vote was as follows: Bate, Berry, Blackburn, Carfflack, Clark (Mont.), Cockrell, Daniel, DuBois, Gibson, Latimer, McCreary, McEnery, McLaurin, Mallory, Martin, Money, Morgan, Pettus and Tallaferro—19.

The vote on the eighth, ninth, tenth and eleventh articles, covering the contempt cases of Davis and Belden was 31 to 51.

The 12th article was the last. It dealt with the conduct of Judge Swayne in punishing W. C. O'Neal for contempt in assaulting a trustee in bankruptcy appointed by him. On the final vote the result was 35 guilty to 47 not guilty, the largest vote given for conviction.

The result on this vote being announced, and with it the entire verdict as ascertained, the chair directed the secretary to enter an order of acquittal on all the articles. This being done, the long and tedious proceedings came to an end.

BIG NAVY OPPOSED

The Senate to-day passed the naval bill carrying a total appropriation of $100,300,000. The bill was discussed by Messrs. Gorman, McCumber, Blackburn, Carmack, Hale, Lodge, Martin, Perkins and Teller. Mr. Hale again criticised the too rapid increase of the navy, and Mr. Lodge defended the policy of the administration in foreign matters and in naval increase.

Mr. Gorman, discussing the proposed increase of the appropriation for the marine corps, declared there could be no excuse for such an increase in times of profound peace. "I suppose if this is to continue," he said, "that we will soon have our marines in all of the weaker South American republics." Public improvements had been paralyzed by the big appropriations for the Army and Navy. Public buildings and river and harbor improvements had been utterly sacrificed. "The time is close at hand," he said, "when the people will not tolerate these conditions at the cost of the trade interests of the country."

Mr. Carmack submitted an amendment to reduce the number of battleships to be provided by the bill from two to one, and Mr. Blackburn supported the amendment. Mr. Blackburn said the battleship had never been tested until "the skirmish at Santiago" and its qualities have not been established.

"Every time we build a new battleship we have a new spasm of terror, and so every time we have a new spasm we build a new ship," said Mr. Carmack in beginning a speech in deprecation of a too great increase of the navy. "We have just elected to the office of chief executive," he said, "the most militant and strenuous gentleman who ever planted his armored heel upon our soil. He is inflicted with an incurable propensity to interfere with the affairs of other nations, especially with those of the republics to the south of us." He asserted that from these circumstances other nations have a right to conclude that we are arming for aggression, rather than for defence.

Mr. Lodge spoke of the naval establishment, saying, "I want a strong navy for one simple reason, because I believe it is the guarantee of peace. In this age you cannot defend the country with bluster and you cannot go on the theory that no one will attack us because we are rich and strong." Continuing, he said that the autocracies of Europe did not like us; that they were all land hungry and that they would not refrain from landing troops in South American countries but for the nearness of American fleets." Mr. Lodge defended our policy in San Domingo and said emphatically that he did not desire any more annexations to the southward.

Mr. Martin defended the usefulness of battleships. Mr. Carmack's motion was voted down, 29 to 38.

DESPERATE FIGHTING ALONG RUSSIAN FRONT.

Japanese Making Persistent and Successful Flanking Movements—Battle Raging for Several Days.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

NDW CHWANG, Feb. 27, via Tien-Tsin.—According to a person who has just returned here from the front the Japanese are shelling Mukden with eleven inch mortars. The bombardment which was recently commenced is further reported to have caused great damage far behind the Russian lines. Advices from Chinese sources are that a general engagement is in progress all along the line. The heaviest fighting is reported to be occurring on the Japanese right and Gen. Kuroki is said to be sweeping far north and threatening to crumple the Russians back on the railroad. A special force is reported to be moving from the south and east with the intention of cutting off the Russian communication by railroad with Vladivostok.

DESPERATE FIGHTING.

MADYADANI, MANCHURIA, Feb. 27.—After fighting of the most desperate nature the Russians remained yesterday evening in possession of Che and Da passes against which the Japanese had been flinging themselves madly from noon until dark. The Russians, who were greatly outnumbered, sustained repeated attacks, some units losing as high as 70 per cent. in killed or wounded in hand-to-hand fighting with the bayonet, to which they were reduced owing to having fired their last bullets. In order to hold Da pass the last reserves were sent to the firing line. The Japanese turning operation in the region of Gauto pass was checked by a battalion of Russian infantry and several squadrons of cavalry, who repulsed the Japanese with heavy loss.

MR. KENLY'S FATHER DEAD.

Prominent Marylander Passed Away in 91st Year of His Age.

Yesterday's Baltimore Sun has the following with reference to the death of the father of Messrs. John R. and A. C. Kenly, of this city, both of whom have gone to Baltimore to attend the funeral:

Mr. George Tyson Kenly, who died at Malvern Farm, the home of his son, Edward G. Kenly, near Berlin, Worcester county, Thursday night, in the ninety-first year of his age, will be buried to-day at 1 o'clock in Greenmount Cemetery. The funeral service will be conducted by Rev. Mr. Dame, and the pall-bearers will be Mr. Kenly's five sons and one nephew.

Mr. Kenly was born in Baltimore November 8, 1814. His father was Edward Kenly, a descendant of an English Presbyterian family that settled in Hartford county in the seventeenth century. The father served in the War of 1812 in the citizen soldiers of Baltimore, Company C, Twenty-seventh Regiment, known as the "brave Twenty-seventh," and took part in the engagements at Fort McHenry and North Point. He was a merchant and manufacturer of Baltimore. His mother was Maria Keener Reese, originally spelled Rhys, of the well-known Reese family of Maryland, who were members of the Society of Friends.

George T. Kenly was educated at Linden Hall, a Moravian Seminary at Lititz, Pa. He received his early business training in the counting room of Col. Jacob. G. Davis, former Mayor of Baltimore. Subsequently he engaged in the grain commission business, forming a partnership with Mr. Solomon Betts. In 1886 he formed a partnership with Mr. William B. Tilghman, of Queenstown, Queen Anne county. The firm existed for 30 years, and was one of the oldest and best known commission firms in Baltimore. He was treasurer of the Baltimore Chamber of Commerce for 17 years. He was one of the original charter members of the Baltimore Corn and Flour Exchange, now known as the Chamber of Commerce, and was a director in both organizations for a number of years.

Mr. Kenly was married April 16, 1844, to Priscilla Agnes, daughter of Col. Gassaway Watkins and Eleaner Bowie Claggett, of Howard county. Colonel Watkins served in the Revolutionary War from 1776 to 1783 in the Maryland Line. He was one of the Maryland 400 that saved the American army at the battle of Long Island. At the end of the war he was mustered out of the service as a captain of the Third Regiment, commandad by Col. John Eager Howard. He was colonel of the Maryland troops in the War of 1812, and was placed in command of the defense of Annapolis. At the time of his death he was president of the Society of the Cincinnati of Maryland.

Five sons survive Mr. Kenly. They are: Edward G. Kenly, Worcester county, of the Maryland State Library; John R. Kenly, Wilmington, N. C., vice-president and general manager of the Atlantic Coast Line railroad; Davies L. Kenly, of D. L. Kenly & Co., Hagerstown; William W. Kenly, of New York, treasurer and general manager of the United States Mortar Supply Company; Albert C. Kenly, of Wilmington, N. C., general freight claim agent of the Atlantic Coast Line.

Mr. Kenly was a brother of the late Major Gen. John R. Kenly, United States Army, who commanded the Maryland Battalion in the Mexican War, and a division of General French's corps, Army of the Potomac. He was also the brother of Major William L. Kenly, formerly Chief Engineer of the Water Department of Baltimore. Mr. Kenly was by marriage connected with the family of Governor Edwin Warfield. In politics, throughout life, he was a Democrat of the old-fashioned school.

Appointed Jailor.

Sheriff Frank H. Stedman yesterday morning appointed Mr. E. S. Capps to succeed his father as jailor of the county, effective March 1st. Mr. Capps is a tinner by trade, but has been employed for some time as a motorman on the street cars. He is a young man of character and ability and will make a worthy successor of his lamented father. The family will continue to occupy the residential portion of the jail.

The "Light House" for an oyster roast! Everything new. Electric lights. Cheerful open fires. Last car leaves Wrightsville at 10:30 P. M.; heated, closed cars. The 3 o'clock car from town comes back as far as the Light House at 4:30 P. M. to give you an opportunity to get an oyster roast as well as visit the the ocean.

— "Ah! Miss Roxey," began the weather-beaten English nobleman, with a soulful look, "let us not be so formal. May I not call you Goldie, and will not you address me by some appropriate, some familiar"—"All right 'Grandpap!'" interrupted the heiress.—Philadelphia Press.

FIRE DISASTER AT NEW ORLEANS.

Great Docks of the Illinois Central Railroad Totally Destroyed Sunday Night.

LOSS $3,000,000 TO $5,000,000.

Big Grain Elevators, Immense Warehouses, 700,000 Bushels of Grain, 23,000 Bales Cotton, 15,000 Barrels Sugar and 500 Freight Cars Destroyed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., Feb. 27.—Fire involving millions of dollars loss in physical property and that strikes a serious, if temporary, blow at the immense export trade of New Orleans, swept the river front Sunday night and wiped out the vast freight terminals of the Illinois Central, known as the Stuyvesant docks. Nearly a dozen squares of modern wharves and freight sheds, two magnificent grain elevators, hundreds of loaded cars and vast quantities of freight, including 20,000 bales of cotton, were destroyed, together with a large number of small residences. The fire was still raging furiously at midnight, at which time it had almost reached the upper end of the Illinois Central property. The ocean-going shipping seems to have escaped damage. A number of firemen and employes of the docks were injured. Actual estimates of the losses may exceed $5,000,000.

LATER PARTICULARS.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 27.—Complete figures of the loss involved in the destruction of the Stuyvesant docks of the Illinois Central compiled by the local officials of the company to-day, will not be available until an inspection of the books of the docks is finished. Fortunately all of these were saved.

To-day local freight agent Cousins and his office force went to work on them, and Mr. Cousins announced to-night that it might be possible to-morrow to give the result. The value of the wharves, sheds, warehouses, elevators and trackage is known roughly, but the number of cars and quantity of merchandise destroyed cannot be given until the inspection is concluded. In the meantime estimates of the loss vary between $3,000,000 and $5,000,000. The ruins of the fire smouldered all day and two engines were kept at the scene to protect surrounding residential property. Including the Crescent ice plant, the police have compiled a list of approximately forty buildings, mostly occupied by laborers, which were destroyed with an estimated loss of $100,000. Earlier estimates of the damages to shipping were modified to-day, the principal sufferer being the Leyland liner, Indian Head, on which the loss is $5,000.

Officials of the fire department said to-day that the fire might have been extinguished in its inception if the streets leading to the docks had not been closed by authority of the council and long lines of freight cars had not been packed on the tracks. It was impossible for either the engine or the firemen to get through until too late to be of service. Chief O'Connor said one of the results of the fire would doubtless be to force the city to provide a modern fire boat for the harbor. He said the disaster could have been averted if there had been one. Some distress is reported among the poorer classes who lost their belongings. The local charity organization society has asked for funds to deliver it.

It is stated that the fire originated from spontaneous combustion.

No one is missing and it is generally believed that the fire was without loss of life. Conservative estimates of the immediate loss by the fire are $5,000,000, divided as follows: Two elevators, warehouses, sheds, $2,500,000; 23,000 bales of cotton, $920,000; 700,000 bushels grain, $388,000; 15,000 barrels sugar, $300,000; cotton seed cake, 130 car loads, $97,000; lumber, $16,625; cement, $56,250; meal, 20 cars, $10,000; sundries, $150,000; five hundred freight cars, $315,000; ships damaged, $50,000; city fire department, two engines and six horses, $15,000; private property and other damage $216,000. The railroad company carried its own insurance and the contents of the various elevators and sheds were insured in local and foreign agencies.

The wharves covered 475 feet, over a distance of ten blocks. Of this wharfage, 3,5000 feet and what it contained was destroyed, and the remainder at the upper end of the terminals being saved through the fact that the wind blew strongly in the opposite direction.

The destroyed wharf cost $500,000. Elevator "D" leased to Harris, Scott & Company, of Chicago, cost $300,000 when built, and elevator "E" which was operated by the Illinois Central, cost $400,000.

LOCAL PORT PARAGRAPHS.

Cargo of Fish Oil for New York—Arrival and Departure of Vessels.

The cotton market continued downward yesterday, New York spot having been quoted dull at 7.60. Local receipts were 544 bales against only 9 same day last year.

The schooner "Elizabeth T. Doyle," which brought cargo of coal for the plant, cleared yesterday for New York with cargo of 3,550 barrels of fish oil from the Cape Fear Fisheries Co., at Old Brunswick.

Schooner "M. C. Haskell" cleared yesterday for New York with cargo from the Cape Fear Lumber Co. Schooner "Waccamaw" arrived yesterday from New York with cargo of cement for the S. A. L. warehouses.

The steamer "E. A. Hawes," Capt. W. A. Robeson, which has been tied up at Fayetteville for some time, has resumed her runs on the Cape Fear, having left Fayetteville yesterday.

Extra Condensed Maryland Rye.

"Here's a pint of Old Maryland Rye, 20 years old, condensed into a tablet the size of a buck shot," said a well known railroad man, uncovering a little, air-tight, tin receptacle, at the desk of The Orion last night. A reporter was given a sniff inside the box and was prepared thereafter to swear it was the genuine article. The gentleman stated the little scientific curiosity had been sent him by a friend in Baltimore, a celebrated French chemist, who had been experimenting along that line. There was no joke about the affair at all and the tablet is valued very highly by the gentleman, whose name would be recognized anywhere were it called. But the reporter was enjoined to secrecy. The possibility of the commercial development of the tablet in question puts the Watts' Law to shame.

ANIMALS NEVER IDLE.

They Manage to Keep Very Busy Without Doing Very Much.

How is it that birds and beasts manage to pass through life without succumbing to ennui, or, at least, without being bored nearly to death? Animals, as a rule, do not loaf. It is not thus that they solve the problem. Loafing is an art which but few living creatures understand. Lizards, crocodiles and chaprassis are the greatest authorities on the subject. Animals have acquired the knack of making much ado about nothing; they have learned to be very busy without doing anything. This accomplishment obviously differs from that of loafing. It is one which animals have brought to perfection and of which many human beings, chiefly women, are very able exponents. There is overhead a wasp busily exploring the holes in the trunk of a tree. Why he does this he probably does not know; he has no time to stop and think. He is quite content to explore away as though his life depended upon it. Five times within the last six minutes he has minutely inspected every portion of the same hole. All his labor is useless, in a sense; without it, however, the wasp would in all probability die of ennui. The wasp is not an isolated case. Most animals are experts at frittering away time; they spend much of their lives in actively doing nothing. Watch a canary in a cage. He hops backward and forward between two perches as though he was paid by the distance for doing so. Look at a butterfly. It leads an aimless existence. Nevertheless it is always busy. A bee probably visits twenty times as many flowers in the day as a butterfly; for all that the butterfly is always on the move.

When speaking of the swift, I notice how long it took to find the materials for its nest, how it went afar off to seek that which was at its feet. This, although the result of stupidity, is doubtless a blessing to the bird. Nest building affords great pleasure to the bird—the more protracted the amusement the better for the architect. The squirrel labors from early morn till late eve laying up a store of nuts. When one storehouse is full, the industrious animal opens another and then proceeds to forget the existence of the first. Lastly, animals spend no inconsiderable portion of the day in play. Nearly all the higher animals indulge in play; some go so far as to play regular games.—Times of India.

WISDOM OF NOVELISTS.

It is mostly the women who are the gamesters, the men only the cards.—Thomas Hardy.

Cynicism is merely the art of seeing things as they are instead of as they ought to be.—Robert Hichens.

There is no man so much at the mercy of his own vanity as he who enjoys a limited notoriety.—Seton Merriman.

A wise man reduces his affairs to a minimum and his interests in the affairs of his neighbors to less.—Seton Merriman.

It is his sweetheart a man should be particular about. Once he settles down, it does not much matter whom he marries.—J. M. Barrie.

Good finance is knowing how to utilize the fullness of other people's pockets without revealing the emptiness of one's own.—Richard Bagot.

A person who can't argue is like a person who can't chew. He swallows the facts of life unprepared for digestion.—Sara Jeannette Duncan.

SOLAR MOTION.

The Little We Know About Where the Sun Is Going.

Can we find out anything about the motions of our solar system? The old astronomer, before the invention of spectroscopic methods, could attack the problem only by a consideration of certain stellar motions. It has been found that these motions are not altogether casual in character, as we should expect, but there is a tendency to a grouping of the motions—an arrangement other than fortuitous. It appears that the individual stars forming the so called constellations on the sky are slowly closing up near a certain point of the heavens and as slowly opening out near a point diametrically opposite. This is just what we should expect if the solar system is approaching the point where the stars are opening out. The phenomenon has been compared to what we see when a regiment of soldiers marches toward us. At first there is visible a confused mass of men only, but as distance diminishes the ranks open out until each individual becomes at last plainly visible.

In this way it has been possible to determine approximately the position on the sky of the "apex" of solar motion, or that point toward which our solar system is at present traveling. It is in the constellation Hercules. We are obliged to assume that our path is for the moment a straight line. But we mean that "moment" which began when James Bradley commenced the first star catalogue of modern precision, about 1750, and which will end long after present generations of men have passed away. So mighty is the orbit in question that many centuries must come and go as moments before we can hope to detect the orbit's curvature.

We are like travelers in the famous "corkscrew" tunnel of the St. Gothard railway. Trains enter on a low level and after going around a huge curve cut in the mountain emerge from the tunnel again on a higher level and at a point almost directly above the entrance. Passengers while in the dark tunnel often amuse themselves by watching the needle of a pocket compass, which makes a complete revolution during the passage. But without the compass they could not know whether the train was moving on a straight or curved track, and so we passengers of the solar system, too, cannot know by observation whether our great cosmic track is straight or curved until, like the compass, the astronomer's instruments shall tell us the truth.—Harold Jacoby, Ph. D., in Harper's Weekly.

The Soldier's Idle Time.

Military life is necessarily made up largely of loafing. You cannot keep a man continuously at drilling, marching or any other branch of military training for eight hours a day and five or six days a week. You have to invent a great many other jobs for him, even to make a pretense of keeping him occupied. But these jobs are nearly all "loafing" jobs, and when it is all done the soldier has a great many more idle hours on his hands per diem than any other man in the same rank of life. I do not know whether it is possible to arrive at any remedy for this, but, if it is, the direction in which I should look for the remedy would be to make every soldier work at some other trade for a certain number of hours each day. The number of hours might be shorter in the summer, when there is more opportunity for training and military exercise, and longer in the winter. If this were practicable, no doubt it would make an enormous difference to the value of the soldier as a citizen when he leaves the ranks.—London Truth.

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